

# BAR HILL NEWS

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## Bar Hill Fête

### SATURDAY 2nd JULY 2016

from 2pm

merging into the evening music.

**Headliners - Indie Tones, Stingray and  
Roger Roger, plus other bands.**

**Variety of music in the Church from 2-4.30 pm**

**Many activities:**

**Dog Show, Trampolines, Variety of Bouncy  
Castles, Merry-Go-Round, Cream Teas, and  
Lots of stalls.**

Next fête meeting: 26th April. Come and join us if you can help on the day.  
Check the website [www.barhill.org](http://www.barhill.org) to see what else is going on!

#### FLOOD INVESTIGATION REPORT FOR BAR HILL - AUGUST 2014

The Flood Investigation Report for the Bar Hill flood event in 2014 has just been published. A copy is available on the website: [www.barhill.org](http://www.barhill.org).

#### BAR HILL LITTERPICK

12th May 2016 at 10am

Meet at the Parish Council Office, where you can collect a litter-picker, bag, gloves if required and your Risk Assessment sheet. Any questions please call the Clerk on 01954 780456. See you on the 12th!

#### BAR HILL VILLAGE FÊTE

We are always looking for volunteers to help on fête day. We are also looking for homes that would kindly have a "For Sale" type board in their gardens to advertise fête day, which haart will donate. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Bunty Waters on 01954 201421.

#### BAR HILL PARISH COUNCIL

Sue Bell, Parish Clerk: 01954 780456

e-mail: [bhillpc-1@btconnect.com](mailto:bhillpc-1@btconnect.com)

Please note that the office is open to Residents between 9am-11am Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Visit our website: [www.barhill.org.uk](http://www.barhill.org.uk)  
for updates on local matters.

The proposed development by the Topland Group (Bellenden) has been received at South Cambs Planning - ref S/0851/16/FL - with 21 days for comment. Anyone can comment on this including the Parish Council. Individual letters can be sent to the Planning Officer, [David.thompson@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:David.thompson@scambs.gov.uk).

Bar Hill Parish Council AGM will be held on 12th May in the Octagon at 7.00pm where this will be discussed.

**Handy telephone numbers:**

Streetlights: 0800 253529 - give number written on lamp post;

Anglian Water (water supply and sewerage): 03457 145 145;

South Cambs District Council: 03450 450500;

County Council (damaged paths and roads): 01223 717111.

**Deadline for June's edition: 15th May to [bhneditor@yahoo.com](mailto:bhneditor@yahoo.com), or see page 2 or other contact details.**

## BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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The Objectives of the Association are to act as an intermediary between Residents and other parties, to keep residents informed of matters of Importance and recreation in and around the Village, and to promote the interests of Bar Hill. Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the Association. Anonymous letters will not be published, but names and addresses may be withheld. However, these may be made available should a written request be received. This is a private publication and may not be reproduced in any way without the prior permission of the Bar Hill Residents' Association Committee.

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### EDITORIAL

There is no charge for Articles, What's On, For Sale and Lost and Found, and these appear at the Editor's discretion. Please submit items by 15th of the month. All telephone numbers without an area code are Crafts Hill (01954). All items can be submitted electronically on disc or to [bhneditor@yahoo.com](mailto:bhneditor@yahoo.com), [a Word file is best, please] or hard copy via Parish Council Office.

## – THE MAPLE SURGERY –

Tel: 01954 780442; [www.mhmaple.co.uk](http://www.mhmaple.co.uk)

### Surgery Opening times:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday	7.00am*–6.30pm
Tuesday, Friday	8.30am–6.30pm

(\* appointments available from 7.30am)

**On the day appointments:** bookable by phone at 8.30am for the mornings and at 1.30pm for afternoons.

Midwife	Thursday	2.00–4.00pm
Physiotherapist	Tuesday	1.00–4.30pm
Podiatrist	Wed. & Friday	8.45am–12 noon
		and 1.00–4.00pm
Orthoptist	2nd Tues. of month	9.00am–12.30pm
Cambs Hearing Help	4th Tues. of month	9.30–11.30am



Out of Hours Emergencies – call 111

(Cambridgeshire and Peterborough 111 Service)

Health Visitors: (based at Longstanton Surgery):  
01954 207612

Well Child Clinics: 3rd Tuesday of the month  
1.00–2.30pm at the Children's Centre, Bar Hill (next to Primary School).

## USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

- Church Office: 01954 206120 • Community Car Scheme: 07496 465330 • Conservative Party (Iris Lay): 01954 205265 • Happy Hours (Anne Plumb): 01954 780364 • Liberal Democrat Party (Andy Pellew): 07814 871752 • Library (renewals and enquiries): 0345 0455225 • Neighbourhood Watch: 01954 201001 • Parish Council: 01954 780456 • Police non-emergency: 101 • Post Office: 01954 789285 • Pre-School: 01954 782892 • Samaritans: 01223 364455 • School: 01954 273305 • Social Club: 01954 781881 • Swavesey Village College 01954 230366 •

– NWR –

**CONNECTING WOMEN WHO ARE  
INTERESTED IN EVERYTHING AND TALK  
ABOUT ANYTHING**



NWR is a national women's organisation with members who enjoy lively conversations both serious and light hearted. It is for women, of all ages, who like to be informed and share ideas by actively participating in the content of meetings. We promote friendship and self-confidence for lively minded women. We invite you to join us. Come along to one of our meetings – you would be very welcome.

12th May **Clocks and Timepieces** – research famous clocks and timepieces;

14th May **Area Meeting** – at Hemingford Abbots;

26th May **It really annoys me when...?** discussion – everyone can have a go!

9th June **Herbs and plants** – research how herbs and plants have been, and still are, used medicinally.

The Bar Hill NWR group meets informally, at 8pm in members' homes on alternate Thursday evenings. We pay an annual fee of £18.00 and just £1.00 per meeting to cover local costs. If you would like more information or someone to accompany you to a meeting, please don't hesitate to call Bobby Colver on 01954 781662 or Marie-The Last on 01954 780329.

NWR can also be found on [www.nwr.org.uk](http://www.nwr.org.uk). Why not have a look!

**HEALTH AND WELLBEING CLUB**

Held in Tesco Community Room on the second Tuesday of each month, the group focuses on all aspects of promoting and maintaining good health in every area.

We start with a chair based exercise activity followed by advice from one of Tesco's departments, such as opticians, Nutricentre. This can include samples of healthy food and demonstrations. This is a unique and friendly group and is an ideal place to meet new people.

The next meeting will be on 24th May. For further information, contact Wendy Arrowsmith on 01954 781381 or Sue Kenchington on 01954 780260.

**BAR HILL  
COMMUNITY  
MARKET**



Saturday 7th May

Saturday 4th June

10.30am – 2pm

In the Octagon CB23 8EH

– Entry is Free –

Hearing Dogs for the Deaf are sponsoring cream teas in May.

All profits go to community/charity projects  
Refreshments and BBQ (*weather permitting*)  
If you wish to be part of the market please contact  
Karen Austen on 01954 781085.



– HAPPY HOURS –

In April we had a 'Put the Kettle On' day (a chance to learn more about tea and sample various teas), a 'Tell Me a Short Story' day and 'Songs from the Movies' Quiz. A belated big thank you to Dobbies for the donation of a lovely pot plant for our Easter raffle.

Sadly, two of our members, Neville Oakman and Dennis Holt, passed away in April.

There will be no meetings on 2nd or 30th May. On 9th May we start our Summer lunchtime menu.

We would welcome new members. Our Club starts at 11am until 3pm with coffee, tea and light lunches. Our aim is to provide friendship and companionship.

For the Age UK Visiting Scheme call 0300 666 9868; for Silverline call 0800 470 80 90 – especially for those who are lonely.

*Anne Plumb*, 01954 780364

– NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH –

**74%** of burglaries are via front, back or side DOOR.



- ✓ Keep external doors locked even when you are in the house.
- ✓ Use a key – never assume that just pushing up the handle will lock the door.
- ✓ Lock all doors when you go out, however briefly.
- ✓ Fit a door viewer so you can identify people before opening the door.
- ✓ If you are not sure of a caller, use a door chain to stop anyone barging in when the door is opened.
- ✓ Use a vetted and qualified locksmith via the Master Locksmiths Association: [locksmiths.co.uk](http://locksmiths.co.uk), or 0800 783 1498.
- ✓ Consider bolts and padlocks on side gates to deter access to side or rear doors where burglars could work out of sight. Use more than just a top bolt which might be easy to reach and open.
- ✓ Look at [securedbydesign.com](http://securedbydesign.com) for security tips and recommended products – e.g. an easy-to-use Patlock for conservatory or French doors, available from [www.ourwatch.org.uk/knowledge/patlock](http://www.ourwatch.org.uk/knowledge/patlock).



*Stops doors being opened from outside.*

And finally:–

X DON'T leave keys where someone could hook them through a letterbox.

X NEVER leave keys under a stone, mat etc.

*Pam Vendy*, NHW Village Co-ordinator

**HANDY MAN VACANCY**

An OAP needs general domestic and maintenance help.

Can pay £10 per hour for 1–2 hours per week.

Bar Hill location. Contact Harry on 01954 781499 evenings.

– WANTED –

Plastic dolls for Reception Class at Bar Hill School.

Please contact Jo Hall, 11 Almond Grove;  
tel: 01954 780304.

## – LETTERS –

*Dear Editor*

Do readers, like me, have 'stuff' around their home they'd like to sell, but can't be bothered to put it on selling sites because they don't want to have to sort out postage and packing, and don't want to pay fees to sell them?

Well I was thinking about ways round this and have come up with an idea. I've set up a Facebook group called **Bar Hill Buy & Sell**. If you're a resident of Bar Hill, this is a group for you! You can list your item, and people living locally can buy it and collect from you at a time that suits you both. That means you don't have to worry about wrapping and posting the item. Also it's free to advertise your item(s), which means there are no seller fees.

It's just a direct sale – you put your item up with a photo, a price and description. If a person wants to buy it, they message you and you arrange for them to collect. They come, pay you the money and then take the item. Easy!

**What the group isn't:** It isn't somewhere to advertise your services (e.g. plumber, electrician, man with a van), enrol people (e.g. business opportunity, social clubs, fundraising etc.), sell through a company (e.g. slimming products, Avon, Betterware etc.), or advertise your event. Anyone posting these will have ads removed and be blocked from the group.

Basically, it's just a hub for local residents to sell items they no longer want to people who live in the area in a straightforward and easy manner.

As I said earlier, there are no fees – it's just a way to sell things locally as a first option before going down the ebay route – or the tip! Find us at [www.facebook.com/groups/barhillbuyandsell](http://www.facebook.com/groups/barhillbuyandsell).

I've put a couple of items on to give you an idea of how it works. Hopefully you'll find it useful.

Thanks for reading.

*James Murphy*

*Dear Editor*

In January I received an invitation to be a recipient of Maundy Money from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth at St. George's Chapel, Windsor, on 24th March. As HM is about to celebrate her 90th birthday the invitation was for 90 ladies and 90 gentlemen and each were able to take a guest.

We each received two purses, a red one containing a £5 coin specially minted for The Queen's 90th birthday and a 50p coin minted for the 950th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings, and the white purse containing special tiny silver coins which added up to 90 pence. I shall certainly treasure these.

There was a lot of pageantry – Beefeaters and officers in dress uniforms – something we do so well in this country. The Service was wonderful and we elderly folk sang well-known hymns with gusto led by the Chapel Royal Choristers and the Choir boys from St. George's Chapel. After the Service we were taken to Windsor Castle for a Reception and Lunch and had the opportunity to mix with other guests from Diocese throughout the UK. It was an experience I will never forget and I felt highly honoured to be part of it.

*Eileen Norton*

*Eileen is a former resident of Bar Hill.*

*Dear Editor*

It has become increasingly frustrating and irritating with planes regularly carrying out acrobatic manoeuvres above or near Bar Hill. I've been a resident for many years and am certain the acrobatic manoeuvres have only occurred over the past year or two. When the planes are carrying out their display, the noise is extremely grating and disturbs any chance of peace and quiet I have in the garden, or even in the house. There is little respite as the display can go on for up to half-an-hour, sometimes several times a day. In particular, the racket when carrying out the loop-the-loop manoeuvre is the most obtrusive noise of all and often gives me a headache. There is currently no recourse for stopping planes practising their manoeuvres.

What I would like to understand is:

- Where are these planes based? A new airfield? The number of planes flying over Bar Hill in general seems to have increased dramatically over the years.
- Why are they allowed to perform acrobatic manoeuvres over or near residential areas? Surely this has serious safety concerns in addition to noise pollution. I'm thinking of the recent Shoreham air crash as an example.
- How can we put a stop to this irritating noise pollution and enjoy peace and quiet in our own homes? Petition the air base? Petition local councillors?
- Is this happening in other villages or does Bar Hill have special status for this nuisance?

I am a fan of planes and have been to numerous air displays. However, there is a time and a place to see them, which is not when trying to relax in your own home or garden. If this activity is so crucial – which I doubt – I'm sure there is plenty of open space away from residential areas where manoeuvres could be performed. Your help on this would be much appreciated.

*M Allen, Appletrees*

*I have published Mr Allen's letter, but I'm not entirely clear on what he thinks I'm able to do. BHN is happy to hear other readers' opinions and possible solutions. We would also be glad to hear whether Mr Allen makes any progress in his battle with noise. Many residents will remember low-flying planes from Oakington in the early years of Bar Hill's history.*

*Dear Editor*

'Bar Hill matters', a Facebook social networking group with over 240 members, welcomes readers to join and interact, or just read what is posted. Hope you find some interesting content.

*Brian Halls*

### – BAR HILL BOOK CLUB –

Next meeting:

**Tuesday 24th May at 7pm at The Fox**

All very welcome.

Contact Sheila: 07920 558319;

[sheilafarrar@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sheilafarrar@hotmail.co.uk)

### BICYCLE REPAIRS & SERVICING

07914 655086

## COUNTY COUNCILLOR

### – NOTES –

**Devolution** – on 16th March, as part of the Budget, the Chancellor announced details of an East Anglia Devolution Deal proposal covering Cambridgeshire, Peterborough, Norfolk and Suffolk. Leaders of all Councils in the area committed to take the proposals to their councils in order to decide if they wish to progress this devolution deal. Cambridgeshire County Council met on 22nd March and resolved to inform the Secretary of State that it did not consider that the deal, in its current form, was acceptable.

**NHS National Diabetes Prevention Programme [NDPP]** – this programme is part of the NHS 'Five Year Forward View', a joint initiative between NHS England, Public Health England and Diabetes UK. The NDPP will identify, primarily through the NHS Health Checks Programme, those at high risk of type 2 diabetes. A referral to a bespoke local lifestyle service [funded by NHS England] will be offered to encourage behaviour change which will help to reduce the risk of developing Type 2 diabetes.

**Smart Cambridge** – the Smart Cambridge programme has been allocated £300,000 by the Greater Cambridge City Deal Executive Board to develop a smart city management platform which will use data and emerging technology to help to tackle city challenges. Smart Cambridge will involve citizens to find creative ways to help reduce congestion, improve air quality and deliver health care.

**The Queen's 90th Birthday** – on 21st April, beacons will be lit all over the United Kingdom to honour The Queen's 90th birthday. The Council will hold its own event at Shire Hall starting at 7pm. The beacon will be lit at 7.30pm on Castle Mound and there will be music from the Salvation Army Band. This will be a public event and all are welcome. If you would like to know more about what's happening at the County Council, please let me know – [lyndaharford@icloud.com](mailto:lyndaharford@icloud.com) – and I will add you to the circulation of the full report I write monthly for parish councils. You can also follow me on Twitter: @2whit2whoo.

*County Councillor Lynda Harford*

### – 8 O'CLOCK CLUB –

The 8 O'Clock Club is an all-women's group which meets on the first Thursday of the month in the lounge in the school.

We have a variety of speakers as well as a garden party, a birthday party and a Christmas meal.

5 May: to be confirmed;

2 June: garden party – members only;

7 July: living with a motor home;

4 August: no meeting – school closed.

If you would like further information, please phone Barbara on 01954 204171, Adela on 01954 204265 or Ann on 01954 204687, or come along to one of our meetings, we would be very pleased to see you.

### – SEWING SERVICE –



If you have a sewing job you don't fancy doing – or feel you can't do – please call Lynn on 01954 201113 and she'll see if she can help.

## – GIRLGUIDING IN BAR HILL –



Rainbows (aged 5–7 years) meet on Monday and Wednesday; Brownies (aged 7–10 years) meet on Tuesday and Wednesday; Guides (aged 10–15 years) meet on Wednesday.

If you would like to join in the fun, please register at [www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested) or e-mail [barhillguiding@gmail.com](mailto:barhillguiding@gmail.com).



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Cambridge CB25 0NW

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Saturday £10, matinée £7,

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Caille Peri 07541 554845; e-mail [sbst.tickets@gmail.com](mailto:sbst.tickets@gmail.com).

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For further information contact Ruth Dennis on  
01638 730659 or [info@sbsummertheatre.com](mailto:info@sbsummertheatre.com).

## BAR HILL CRICKET CLUB



Our season is off and running – with Saturday league fixtures, Cambridge Business Houses League midweek fixtures and Sunday friendlies to keep us occupied between now and the end of August.

We welcome new players of all abilities – just call me on the number below if you are interested.

A big part of the club is also our youth training sessions. These will be on Wednesday evenings from 6–7pm every week from 4th May on the Village Green. The sessions are open to youngsters of all ages and no previous experience is needed. The sessions are run by qualified coaches, who have undergone all the necessary training and vetting, led by our youth manager Dave Allsopp.

Joining our youth scheme costs only £15 per child for the whole season, with no weekly fees!

It's not just on the pitch that we'll be busy – we're planning a club Open Day in June to attract new members, and we'll also be active on fête day.

For information on all aspects of the club, visit [www.barhillcricket.org.uk](http://www.barhillcricket.org.uk). We also have a Facebook page and you can follow us on Twitter @BarHillCC

### May fixtures:

Saturday 7th May: Cambridge St Giles III (H, league)

Sunday 8th May: Camden (H, friendly)

Wednesday 11th May: BAS (H, midweek)

Saturday 14th May: Coton (A, league)

Wednesday 18th May: Comberton (H, midweek)

Saturday 21st May: Over II (A, league)

Saturday 28th May: Fordham III (A, league)

Sunday 29th May: Camden (A, friendly)

*Paul Stimpson, 01954 201212*



## – CHURCH MATTERS –



Bar Hill Church is a Local Ecumenical Partnership of five denominations – the Church of England, the United Reformed Church, the Methodist Church, the Baptist Union and the

Society of Friends. The Minister is Charles Mather, who may be contacted on 01954 277119 or [charlesmather20@yahoo.com](mailto:charlesmather20@yahoo.com).

Everyone is welcome to attend our services which, in May, will be held at the following times:

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|------------|---|
| Sun. 1st   | 10.00am Holy Communion<br>6.30pm Evening Prayer   |
| Thurs. 4th | 7.30pm Service for Ascension Day  |
| Sun. 8th   | 8.00am Holy Communion<br>10.00am Morning Worship<br>6.30pm 'ReBoot' Contemporary Worship                              |
| Sun. 15th  | 10.00am Holy Communion<br>6.30pm Evening Prayer for our streets, Acorn Avenue and Little Meadow                       |
| Sun. 22nd  | 10.00am Big Sunday Worship<br>6.30pm Holy Communion   |
| Weds. 25th | 10.00am Midweek Holy Communion  |
| Sun. 29th  | 10.00am Morning Worship with a speaker from the Salvation Army about their anti-slavery work<br>6.30pm Evening Prayer |

Totzone, a group for pre-school children, is available during 10am services.

10am services are followed by tea/coffee, and there is a Traidcraft stall selling a range of fairly traded products.

**Prayer for Streets:** Each month we pray for people in two streets. During April we will be praying for Acorn Avenue and Little Meadow. If residents have a particular prayer request for themselves or their family they are welcome to email Ginny on [outreach@barhillchurch.org.uk](mailto:outreach@barhillchurch.org.uk). Residents of these roads are also invited to tea and cake at 6pm on Sunday 15th May followed by an informal service of Evening Prayer.

### *Groups for Adults:*

**Home Groups:** Various groups meet in homes around the village and provide an opportunity to discuss Christianity with a friendly group of people and to enjoy one another's company. Most groups meet twice a month. If you would like to know more, please contact Bob Chappell on [education@barhillchurch.org.uk](mailto:education@barhillchurch.org.uk); 01954 200987.

**Art Group:** Whether you are a complete beginner or an experienced painter, this group will give you a warm welcome. It meets on Wednesday afternoons throughout the year from 1.30–4pm in the Church. Meetings are very informal, with occasional visits from tutors. If you are new to painting, materials are available to borrow to help you get started. For further information, please contact Jan Hewins on 01954 201495.

**Bring Your Own Craft Group:** The craft group is open to anyone who enjoys or would like to start knitting, crochet, card-making or any other creative crafts. We

meet in the Octagon from 2.15 to 4.45pm one Saturday each month for a couple of hours chatting, crafting and enjoying a chance to unwind. Please bring your own craft activity and materials – refreshments are provided. Dates: 28th May, 25th June, 23rd July, 24th September. Contact Wendy on 01954 782041 for more details.

**Knit and Natter:** This is a long-established group which meets weekly on Thursday afternoons from 1.15–3.30pm in the Octagon. We are a friendly group who support one another, and other groups who need our help. We send hats, jumpers and blankets to wherever they are needed throughout the world. We hold a number of events during the year, including outings, coffee mornings, a Christmas lunch, and 'Holiday at Home' at Easter. Everyone is very welcome, whether to knit, or just to chat and meet new friends. For more information, please contact Sue Kenchington on 01954 780260.

**Coffee Stop:** This group is run by volunteers on Wednesdays from 10am–midday in the Bar Hill Library. Coffee, tea and biscuits are served at a modest price. We aim to provide a friendly meeting place to chat with friends old and new. The Coffee Stop is used regularly by the Bar Hill Health Walkers, and by members of the Horizon Group. We are grateful to library staff for accommodating us and would love to welcome new people to join us. We encourage everyone to borrow a library book regularly to help keep this facility available for our village. For more information, please contact Sue Kenchington on 01954 780260.

**Eco Group:** The group meets for an hour in alternate months to think about how we, as a local community, can best use our world's resources both for our own benefit and for that of future generations. Our next meeting is on Sunday 8th May, 11.30–12.30 in the Church (the TNT Room in the main building), and you would be very welcome to join us. For further details, please contact Marguerite on [ecogroup@barhillchurch.org.uk](mailto:ecogroup@barhillchurch.org.uk).

**Music Group:** This group meets at 7.30pm on most Friday evenings in the Church to practise the music for Sunday services. If you sing or play an instrument, you would be very welcome to join us. For further details, please contact Bob Chappell on [education@barhillchurch.org.uk](mailto:education@barhillchurch.org.uk).

### *For Children:*

**Messy Church:** This group for pre-school and primary age children and their carers meets in the Octagon from 3.15–5.15pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Each session begins with craft activities followed by a story and song on a Bible theme, and ends with a simple meal. For more information, please contact Heather at [cyp@barhillchurch.org.uk](mailto:cyp@barhillchurch.org.uk).

**Holiday Club:** This will take place from Monday 25th July – Friday 29th July 2016 and is open to all children of primary school age. Please contact Claire Thorby at [cypadmin@barhillchurch.org.uk](mailto:cypadmin@barhillchurch.org.uk) for a booking form. The closing date for applications is 5th June.

### *For Children and Young People:*

**Café Church:** As an alternative to the Sunday morning

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service, the children and young people meet in the Octagon on the 1st and 3rd Sundays for breakfast, worship and a learning activity. Kidzone for primary school children only is on the 2nd Sunday morning in the Octagon. A crèche is also available during morning services, in the meetings room.

### *For Young People:*

**ReBoot** (2nd Sunday of the month): This informal evening service, held from 6.30–8.00pm, is for adults and young people. It begins with cake, biscuits and drinks and uses contemporary music and format.

**Cell Groups:** These groups of young people meet once a month to learn about the Bible and the Christian faith.

**Youth Socials:** An opportunity to relax and play games (including Wii, Pool, Table Tennis), or themed parties on the 1st Sunday per month from 7.15–9.00pm in the Octagon (school year 7–8s may be collected at 8.30pm).

**Soul Survivor Camp** will take place from 13th to 17th August at the Bath & West Showground near Shepton Mallet. Over 20 of us go every year (age range 14+) and have a super time and fantastic food. For more information about any of these and other activities for children and/or young people, please contact Heather at [cyp@barhillchurch.org.uk](mailto:cyp@barhillchurch.org.uk).

## THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS

Hills Road, Cambridge

### The Catholic Church serving Bar Hill

<i>Parish Priest:</i> Mgr Peter Leeming	Tel: 01223 350787
<i>Local contact:</i> Bunty Waters	Tel: 01954 201421
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	8am and 12.15pm
Tuesday	8am and 7.30pm
Saturday	6pm. First Mass of Sundays

Masses in the Parish Church in Cambridge; also 5pm at Cambourne and **6pm at The Octagon, Bar Hill.**

Holydays of Obligation 8am, 10am, 7.30pm

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday	6.45pm (not after Mass)
Saturday	10.30–11.15am, 4.30–5.15pm, 7.00–7.45pm

Details of other services are published in a weekly newsletter available at the 6pm Mass each Saturday. Copies are also available in the Church Centre.

## – OPPORTUNITIES –



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### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2015

From 15th to 21st May, volunteers from Bar Hill Church will be delivering Christian Aid Week envelopes throughout the village. Unlike some charity collectors, they gain no personal benefit from calling on you. Last year about £2,940 was raised in Christian Aid Week in Bar Hill. Please help us to reach an even better total in 2016.

In our village we have many things we take for granted – among them enough to eat, well-built homes, clean water and free education. Christian Aid runs projects to help people in the third world who lack such things. To support the collection, please put your contribution in your envelope ready for collection. If you are a tax payer, fill in the Gift Aid declaration to make what you give worth 25% more. Do answer the door to your collector politely; a few residents do not welcome those who give up their time to help others.

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Wednesday	Helen Jones (Dance)	4.00–6.45pm
Wednesday	Zumba	7.00–8.00pm
Wednesday	Pilates	8.00–9.00pm
Thursday	Pilates (term time only)	10.00–11.00am
Thursday	Weightwatchers	7.00–7.50pm
Friday	Stage Starz (term time only)	5.45–6.45pm
Friday	Martial Arts	7.45–9.00pm
Saturday	Sweat and Tone	8.00–9.00am
Sunday	Bingo (doors open 7pm)	7.30–9.30pm
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If you wish to book any of these facilities, or get more information, please call 01954 782414 and leave a clear message. We'll call back within 24 hours Monday–Friday); or e-mail [barhill.villagehall@btconnect.com](mailto:barhill.villagehall@btconnect.com).

*We look forward to hearing from you.*

## HOLIDAY AT HOME 2016

"Holiday at Home" this year welcomed up to 60 guests a day for three days, mostly older residents of Bar Hill and also their friends. They were helped to have a three day "holiday experience" by around 40 volunteers who willingly gave their time, expertise and enthusiasm. Anyone believing that old age is a time for settling down to aches and pains and boring, lonely days should have seen the fun, creativity and laughter that rang through our church buildings. We haven't forgotten how to enjoy ourselves!

A tribute is rightly due to the "crew" who pulled out all the stops and worked so hard to ensure that every activity ran smoothly, every meal a gastronomic delight and entertainment to enjoy. Thank you crew! We were lucky too to have help from our Tesco Community Champion, Karen, to help with some of the catering challenges and glad to have her at our side. But also thank you to our guests for joining in everything with great gusto.

The next "Holiday at Home" will take place around Easter in 2017. Perhaps there is someone who would like to join the fun as a guest or help us by offering a skill for an activity or some home-made cakes.

A huge thank you to all who shared in this event.

*Sue Kenchington*

## BAR HILL SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB



The Sports and Social Club is situated on the top floor of the Village Hall. You can watch live sports on our two large HD TV screens, play pool, darts, skittles and cribbage, or enjoy a drink in our quiet lounge bar.

Visit our website, [www.bhssc.org.uk](http://www.bhssc.org.uk) or join us on Facebook, at Bar Hill Sports & Social Club.

*What's on in May?*

Sat. 14th Membership Draw

Sat. 28th Membership Draw

Mon. 30th Monthly Quiz

*Looking Ahead to June...*

Sat. 11th Membership Draw

Sat. 25th Membership Draw

Mon. 27th Monthly Quiz.

*Bar Hill Saturday Teams home games*

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*Bar Hill Ladies Sunday home games – K/O at 1400*

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## MAUNDY MONEY FROM HER MAJESTY

In January I received an invitation to be a recipient of Maundy Money from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth at St. George's Chapel, Windsor, on 24th March. As HM is about to celebrate her 90th birthday the invitation was for 90 ladies and 90 gentlemen and each were able to take a guest.

When we entered the Chapel the first person to greet me was the Rt. Rev. John Inge – now Bishop of Worcester – whom I know well from his time as a Canon in Ely. He is The Royal High Almoner and hands the purses to HM to give to the recipients. When they got to me, John introduced me to the Queen and told her I was from Ely. She knows the Cathedral well and said what a beautiful place it is.

We each received two purses, a red one containing a £5 coin specially minted for The Queen's 90th birthday and a 50p coin minted for the 950th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings, and the white purse containing special tiny silver coins which added up to 90 pence. I shall certainly treasure these.

There was a lot of pageantry – Beefeaters and officers in dress uniforms – something we do so well in this country. The Service was wonderful and we elderly folk sang well-known hymns with gusto led by the Chapel Royal Choristers and the Choir boys from St. George's Chapel. After the Service we were taken to Windsor Castle for a Reception and Lunch and had the opportunity to mix with other guests from Diocese throughout the UK.

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*Eileen Norton*

*Eileen is a former resident of Bar Hill.*





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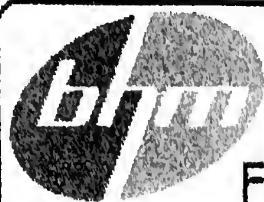


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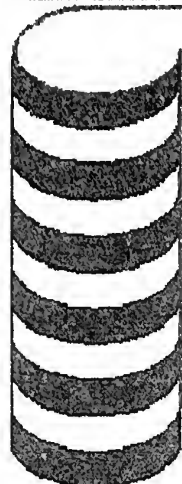
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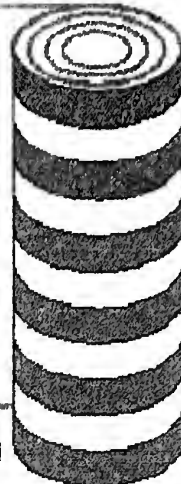
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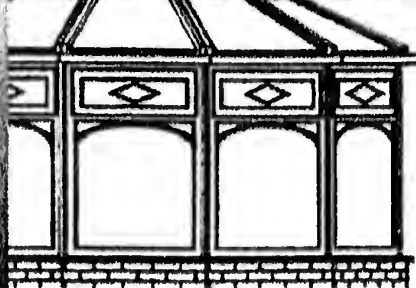
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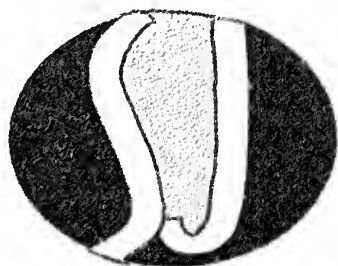
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At our Annual General Meeting in March, we were told that during 2015 we spent £11,780 of your valuable donations on three apnoea monitors which help with babies' breathing, also three movable breast pumps, and 10 cots.

The Tea Bar sold a massive £725.80 of knitted toys and clothes, nearly half of Rosie in Stitches total income. After expenses Rosie in Stitches income was £1,624.85.

Anna Shasha, Head of Midwifery, expressed her appreciation of the equipment we had bought. The wooden cots look lovely. She suggested that we could provide small things like transfers on walls which make a huge difference to the appearance of the rooms. Read more on the AGM 2016 page of our website [www.rosieinstitches.org.uk](http://www.rosieinstitches.org.uk).

Our profit for 2016 is currently £365. Thank you for your custom at our recent stall at Addenbrooke's, where we raised a further £174, doubling our takings for the year. You can shop with us again at the following upcoming stall dates:

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If you can improve our website, organise the three large stalls per year at Addenbrooke's Outpatients, provide transport for our volunteers or display a small selection of our wares please contact a member of the committee, details are given on our website.

Thank you for your continued support.

### Bar Hill Fête

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[Sadams@chesterton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:Sadams@chesterton.cambs.sch.uk).

### BAR HILL BABY AND TODDLER GROUP



This is held on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9.45–11.15am at the Octagon. It is for families and carers with children aged 0–4 years, with a variety of toys and activities for toddlers and pre-schoolers,

and a baby area with mats and age appropriate toys. Drinks and snacks are provided.

Prices: Under Ones – £1.00 (or FREE when paying for a sibling over one); Over Ones – £2.00.

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**Leaving the Surgery** – we were sorry to say goodbye to our Medical Secretary, Vicki Virgo, who left us at the beginning of May. We would like to thank her for her dedicated work over the past 6 years and wish her every success in the future.

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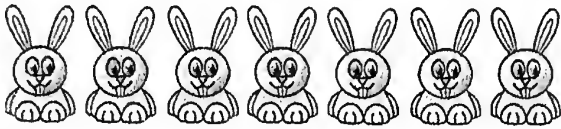
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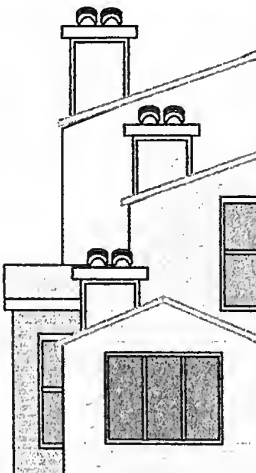
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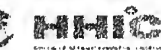


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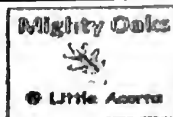
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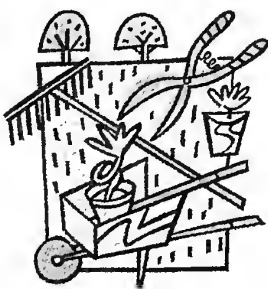
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### NEWSLETTER FROM HEIDI ALLEN

The last months have been incredibly varied – there is little an MP *doesn't* need to be up to speed with!

Recently, I co-hosted a meeting at Cambourne Village College, at which Heads and Governors from secondary schools across Cambridgeshire were invited to share anything on their minds. Difficulties with teacher recruitment was the main topic and we floated the idea of running a recruitment fair to help schools fill vacancies. I'll be looking at this over the next few weeks.

The Principals of Hills Road and Long Road came to Westminster this month to meet Minister Nick Boles. The Government is currently reviewing sixth form provision across the country, so we were relieved to hear he was fully aware of the excellent education these institutions provide and has no plans to change the way they are structured.

After Christmas, I met an inspirational group of mums who shared their difficulties with the Child Support Agency. The Government is currently moving CSA clients over to a new system, so now is the perfect time to review failings in the old system. The ladies came to Westminster to meet the Chair of the Work and Pensions Select Committee, of which I am a member, to convince him that this was an area the Committee should look at. I am delighted to report he agreed, so we will formally review the system and make recommendations. With all the recent drama at DWP, I'll be making sure that the new Secretary of State, Stephen Crabb, has a full in-tray!

And finally, over the last month I have been trialling a new way of running my surgeries. I've held two "no appointment necessary" drop-in events which proved really popular, with dozens of residents talking to me on a wide variety of topics. My next scheduled sessions are Saturday 21st May from 10.30-12.30pm in Duxford/Whittlesford; and Friday 17th June from 6-8pm in Papworth Everard. See my website: [www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk](http://www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk) for details.

As always, don't hesitate to get in touch if I can help with anything. You can contact me by phone on 01954 212707 or via email at [heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk).

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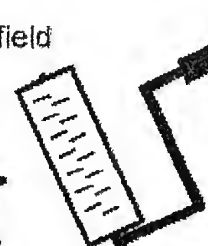
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*Julie Griffin*

**LADIES INTERNATIONAL GROUP**

The next arranged meeting, with foods of different countries and good company, is 10th June at 7.30pm at Jo Hall's, 11 Almond Grove, Bar Hill.

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– 2nd July 2016 –  
STALL BOOKING FORM**

Contact Name:	Group/Organisation:
Address:	Landline + Mobile Numbers:
	E-mail:
	Contact Details on Fête Day:

Stall holders should aim to arrive from 11am on the day of the Fête and should be ready for trading by 2pm (the official start time). Vehicle movement on the village green after 2pm needs to be authorised by a Fête Organiser. You will be sent more information nearer the time.

Number of stall spaces (approx. 5m square):	Village Organisations/ Charities	Free (Full Day)	
<i>You will need to provide your own table and gazebo as we cannot provide you with any.</i>	Small traders (please circle which time slot you require).	2–6pm – £15 6–11pm – £15 Full Day – £30	
	Food stalls/ large scale entertainment. Food stalls will need both a Health /Hygiene Certificate and Public Liability Insurance (please circle which time slot you require).	2–6pm – £15 6–11pm – £25 Full Day – £40	

Stall details:

Please return this completed form (with payment. Cheques payable to "Bar Hill Residents Association") to: Bar Hill Village Fête (Stalls), 75 Foxhollow, Bar Hill, Cambridge CB23 8ES.

All forms should be returned as soon as possible to guarantee a place but no later than the 1st June. If you have any questions please see our website [barhillvillagefete.barhill.org.uk](http://barhillvillagefete.barhill.org.uk) or contact us on 01954 781085.

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## BAR HILL COLTS FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

### Over £200 Sports Relief Donation

Some of our teams, the Ravens, Tornados and Rockets, raised money towards Sports Relief and the Colts matched this amount to double their money raised. So a grand total in excess of £200 was donated to Sports Relief. A huge thank you to all involved.

### Bar Hill Ravens U15s Season Update

As I write this, we have 5 games to play and stand a great chance of promotion. The Ravens campaign has been terrific. The players have risen to the challenge of beating last year's 3rd place and are only one win away from securing a place in the Under 16 B Division. This represents excellent progress and exceeds expectations, just hoping I've not jumped the gun!

Scoring 76 goals in 15 games and with a goal difference of +49 the boys have stunning statistics. At Under 15 level, we have scored more than any other Cambridge Colts team across every division. Our last match was a thumping 9-0 away win against Haverhill, where a special mention must go to our goalkeeper Luke, who managed to get on the scoresheet! With Ely to play on April 17th can the Ravens get the vital win and get promoted? ... watch this space!

With great team spirit and huge backing from the parents and the Bar Hill Colts Football Club we are all proud of what the Ravens have achieved this season, and will continue to be so into next season. Thanks to everyone for your continued support.

*Kevin Sargent* (Ravens Manager)

**Important date for your Diary:** The Bar Hill Colts end of season awards ceremony will be held on **Saturday 11th June 2016**.

## JH FITNESS ACADEMY

JH Fitness Academy, Bar Hill, completed a charity event on 9th April for Ovarian Cancer Action. Members and friends of the Academy took part in a 3-Hour Boxercise Class to help raise awareness of ovarian cancer, the UK's most deadly gynaecological disease, which claims a life every two hours in the UK.

The boxercise session was organised by owner Junior Herbert in conjunction with Ovarian Cancer Action's Box 2 Beat Cancer, the first national fundraising campaign to team up with Boxercise. Events were held all over the country to raise money for the charity. JH Fitness Academy was proud to host their event and, to date, an amazing £1,505 has been raised. It was a great day, everyone had fun and worked really hard. More importantly, money and awareness was raised of this horrible disease.

If you would like to make a donation to Junior's fundraising page you can do so at [www.justgiving.com/box2beatcancerJHFitnessAcademy](http://www.justgiving.com/box2beatcancerJHFitnessAcademy).

For more information on ovarian cancer, please visit: [www.ovarian.org.uk](http://www.ovarian.org.uk), or call 020-7380 1730. For more information on Boxercise and fitness classes, contact Junior on 07900 55963; 01954 789911 or at [jhfitnessacademy.co.uk](http://jhfitnessacademy.co.uk).

## - COUNCILLOR NOTES -

The Council owned housing company set up to generate profits to reinvest back in the services local people want and need has been shortlisted for a national Innovation award. Ermine Street Housing was set up by South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) to help offset significant cuts to funding from Government and plans will see an annual profit of around £600,000 per year ploughed back into Council services.

Ermine Street Housing was shortlisted for the 'Reinventing Public Services' award which states that "local authorities will have no option but to undertake fundamental, wholesale reinvention to maintain the services people value."

SCDC has been shortlisted alongside Ashfield District Council, Devon County Council, Ealing Council, Plymouth City Council - CaterED and Warwickshire County Council. Ermine Street Housing owns and manages a property portfolio of over 50 homes and manages a further 140 on MOD sites in Waterbeach, Bassingbourn and Brampton. SCDC owns and manages its own stock of 5,500 council houses with Ermine Street Housing being set up so the Council could operate in the private sector. For more information on Ermine Street Housing, and to see the properties available to rent, visit

[www.erminestreethousing.co.uk](http://www.erminestreethousing.co.uk), or call 01954 713099.

*First housebuilder has been confirmed for Northstowe*

- Bloor Homes has been confirmed as the first housebuilder at the new town of Northstowe after an agreement was confirmed with developers Gallagher. The Bloor Homes site will see 92 new homes built with a range of house types and sizes up to five bedroom properties.

And of course elections: Thursday 5th May for the Police and Crime Commissioner. Police and Crime Commissioners are elected by the public to make sure the policing needs of communities are met as effectively as possible and to oversee how crime is tackled in Cambridgeshire. Please take a look at the South Cambs website. If you need any help with accessing forms please contact myself or Roger. Also contact us if you have any questions or queries:

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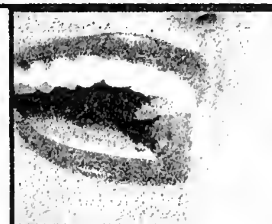
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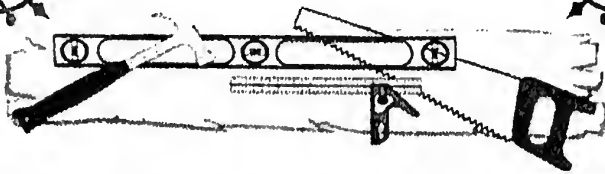
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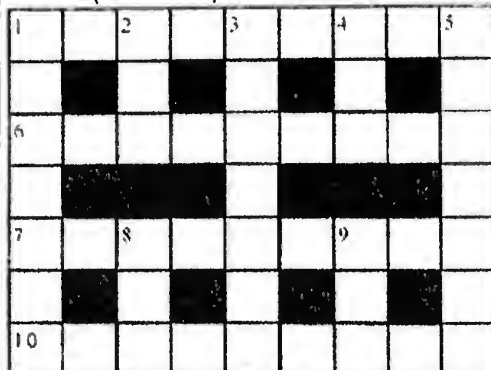




## MAY CROSSWORD

Across: 1. limitless, 6. organise differently,  
7. lighting for a romantic dinner,  
10. three-leafed form.

Down: 1. Dutch city & province,  
2. constricting snake, 3. Maurice .....  
French artist, 4. lair, 5. sang together,  
8. name born with, 9. woman's name  
(shortened).



## SOLUTION FOR APRIL

Across: 1. glandular, 6. edelweiss, 7. table  
tops, 10. digitalis.

Down: 1. greeted, 2. ale, 3. dewiest, 4. lei,  
5. resists, 8. bag, 9. oil.

## BIN COLLECTION DATES

Weds. 27th April	green and blue bins
Thurs. 5th May	black bin
Weds. 11th May	green and blue bins
Weds. 18th May	black bin
Weds. 25th May	green and blue bins
Thurs. 2nd June	black bin
Weds. 7th June	green and blue bins
Weds. 14th June	black bin
Weds. 22nd June	green and blue bins
Weds. 29th June	black bin

## BAR HILL SCHOOL

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website: [www.barhillschool.co.uk](http://www.barhillschool.co.uk)

After a lovely Easter break, the staff and children have come back refreshed and ready for the summer term. We have a lot happening this term and we are looking forward to all the new challenges ahead. Unfortunately, the return was tinged with sadness at the loss of one of our beloved colleagues, Dawn Miller. Dawn had been employed at the school for 21 years and also looked after the children at the after school/school holiday club, Mighty Oaks. She was much loved by many children in the village. Her funeral and wake afterwards showed just how true that was with many coming to both. The funeral and wake were a reflection of a woman who was always smiling and loving others, no matter how hard or easy life was. She always put the children in her care first. Dawn will be missed by us all.

On Friday, 10th June we will be having a 'Whole School Family Fun Day' on the school playing field. It will start after school and run from approximately 3.00 to 6.30pm. The PTA will have a barbecue, licensed bar and various bouncy activities. There will be ice cream and cake stalls as well as the various stalls the children and classes will be running. There will also be some live music to enjoy! Everyone is welcome to join us.

Dawn's funeral has shown what a close knit and supportive community there is here in Bar Hill and it would be lovely to see you all down celebrating with us that day. See you then!

*Dr Al Mistrano*, Headteacher

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## MAY PUZZLE

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Solution for April: AUTOLYCUS, CLEOPATRA, DEMETRIUS, DESDEMONA, ENOBARBUS,  
FERDINAND, KATHARINA, PETRUCHIO, SEBASTIAN.



## RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Interested persons are  
always welcome at  
Residents' Association  
meetings. They are usually  
held on the first Tuesday of  
the month at 8pm in the  
Parish Council office.

Next meetings:  
3rd May, 7th June.

## – EVENTS CALENDAR –

date	event	where	time
30 April	Spring Fling & Craft Fair (page 15)	Hatton Park School	11am–3pm
30 April	Freddie Hall Band (page 30)	Over Community Centre	
1 May	Wildlife Trust walk (page 21)	Brampton Wood Car Park	10.30am & 2.30pm
2 May	Rosie stall at Farmland Museum Craft Fair (page 15)	CB25 9PQ	10.30am–4pm
2 May	NO HAPPY HOURS		
5 May	8 O'Clock Club (page 5)	School	8pm
7 May	Community Market (page 3)	Octagon	10.30am–2pm
7 May	Storytime (page 26)	Library	10.30am
12 May	Parish Council A.G.M. (page 1)	Octagon	7.30pm
12 May	Bar Hill Litter pick (page 1)	meet at Parish Council	10am
12 May	NWR – Clocks and Timepieces (page 3)		8pm
14 May	NWR – Area Meeting (page 3)	Hemingford Abbots	
17 May	Memories of Cambridge (page 30)		10am & 2.30pm
22 May	Wildlife Trust walk (page 21)	Upwood Meadows	2.30pm
24 May	Book Club (page 4)	The Fox	7.30pm
24 May	Health & Wellbeing Club (page 3)	Tesco Comm. Room	2.30pm
26 May	NWR – It really annoys me when... (page 3)		8pm
30 May	NO HAPPY HOURS		
4 June	Community Market (page 3)	Octagon	10.30am–2pm
9 June	NWR – Herbs and plants (page 3)		8pm
10 June	Whole School Family Fun Day (page 29)	School playing field	3–6.30pm
11 June	Bar Hill Colts end-of-season Awards (page 26)		

### Over Community Centre presents **FREDDIE HALL BAND**

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**2.30–4.30pm:** Reminiscence Tea with the opportunity to have a closer look at some of the museum's collection.

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[activities@cambridgemanor.co.uk](mailto:activities@cambridgemanor.co.uk).

[www.capturingcambridge.co.uk](http://www.capturingcambridge.co.uk)

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